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1. PRAVDA OF JULY 27 CARRIES A REPORT BY ITS
CORRESPONDENT IN OSLO, YU. KUZNETSOV, ENTITLED
"MUCH NOISE OVER NOTHING." KUZNETSOV REPORTS THAT
RECENTLY A CAMPAIGN HAS BEEN LAUNCHED TO WHIP
UP ANTI-SOVIET FEELING IS UNDERWAY BASED ON "ABSURD

STATEMENTS CONCERNING SOME KIND OF 'HOSTILE INTENTIONS' OF SOVIET MERCHANT SHIPS, WHICH ARE FOLLOWING THEIR USUAL ROUTES ALONG THE COAST OF NORTHERN NORWAY." KUZNETSOV CITES STATEMENTS BY LOS MINISTER EVENSEN AND THE NORWEGIAN PRESS ALLEGEDLY MINIMIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF THE SITUATION AND BLAMES NATO FIGURES FOR SPREADING "SUCH PROVOCATIVE, ANTI-SOVIET FABRICATIONS."

2. COMMENT: THIS REPORT, THE FIRST PUBLIC SOVIET ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE CURRENT DIFFICULTIES WITH NORWAY, GIVES NO INDICATION OF MOSCOW'S INTENTIONS IN THIS SITUATION BEYOND A DESIRE TO DENY ITS CULPABILITY.

WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO OBTAIN SOME INSIGHT INTO SOVIET MOTIVES (REFTEL) FROM LOCAL SOURCES. TOON

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